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SUBJECT: CONSULTATIONS WITH KEY ALLIES ON CHEMICAL  
WEAPONS MATTERS

1. SUMMARY. REPRESENTATIVES FROM DEPARTMENT, ACDA, AND  
DOD PLAN TO TRAVEL TO KEY ALLIED CAPITALS WEEK OF MARCH  
20 FOR CONSULTATIONS ON CW-RELATED ISSUES. PURPOSE OF  
CONSULTATIONS IS TO DISCUSS WITH KEY ALLIES CW POLICY

ALTERNATIVES NOW UNDER REVIEW, INCLUDING MILITARY POSTURE AND ARMS CONTROL OPTIONS, AND FUTURE DIRECTION OF CW ARMS CONTROL DISCUSSIONS. CONSULTATIONS WITH JAPANESE ON CW WOULD BE HELD IN GENEVA WEEK OF MARCH 28. END SUMMARY.

2. REPRESENTATIVES OF STATE DEPARTMENT, ACDA, AND DOD PLAN TO VISIT LONDON, PARIS AND BONN WEEK OF MARCH 20 FOR CONSULTATIONS WITH ALLIES ON US CW POLICY ALTERNATIVES INCLUDING ARMS CONTROL AND MILITARY POSTURE OPTIONS, FUTURE DIRECTION OF CW ARMS CONTROL NEGOTIATIONS IN BOTH THE BILATERAL (WITH SOVIETS) AND MULTILATERAL (CCD) ARENAS. USG IS PRESENTLY IN EARLY STAGES OF INTERAGENCY STUDY THIS TOPIC SCHEDULED FOR COMPLETION IN THE NEAR FUTURE. USG WISHES TO INFORM PRINCIPAL ALLIES OF NATURE THIS STUDY AND OBTAIN THEIR VIEWS BEFORE TAKING DECISIONS ON FUTURE US CW POLICIES.

(DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, UK, FRG AND FRANCE HAVE ALREADY INDICATED THEIR INTEREST IN CONSULTATIONS ON CW.)

3. US REPS WILL BE PREPARED TO BRIEF HOST COUNTRY EXPERTS ON PRESENT STATE OF PLAY WITH REGARD TO CW ARMS CONTROL EFFORTS, US CW CAPABILITIES, FOREIGN CW CAPABILITIES, POLITICAL AND MILITARY IMPLICATIONS OF MILITARY POSTURE AND ARMS CONTROL ALTERNATIVES UNDER STUDY IN US, VERIFICATION CONSIDERATIONS AND TACTICAL NEGOTIATION CONSIDERATIONS.

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4. WE EXPECT LEADER OF DELEGATION TO BE ACDA OFFICIAL AT DIVISION CHIEF LEVEL. IN ADDITION, THERE WOULD BE ONE STAFF-LEVEL OFFICER FROM DOD, STATE AND ACDA, PLUS AN INTELLIGENCE SPECIALIST. US REPS WOULD HOPE TO DISCUSS CW QUESTIONS WITH BOTH POLITICAL AND MILITARY REPRESENTATIVES.

5. TENTATIVE PLAN CALLS FOR APPROXIMATELY A DAY AND A HALF OF CONSULTATIONS BOTH IN LONDON AND BONN, ONE DAY IN PARIS. TENTATIVE SCHEDULE IS AS FOLLOWS:

MARCH 20  
SUNDAY A.M. ----- ARRIVE LONDON

MARCH 21  
MONDAY A.M. -----  
INFORMAL BRIEFING BY US TEAM  
P.M. ----- DISCUSSION

MARCH 22

TUESDAY A.M.----- CONTINUATION OF DISCUSSION

P.M.----- CABLE DRAFTING

-- -----ARRIVE PARIS (EVENING)

MARCH 23

WEDNESDAY A.M.-----INFORMAL BRIEFING BY US TEAM

P.M.-----DISCUSSION

MARCH 24

THURSDAY A.M.-----CABLE DRAFTING; ARRIVE BONN

P.M.-----INFORMAL BRIEFING BY US TEAM

MARCH 25

FRIDAY A.M.-----DISCUSSION

P.M.-----DISCUSSION

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MARCH 26

SATURDAY A.M.-----CABLE DRAFTING

MARCH 27

SUNDAY A.M.-----DEPART

SCHEDULE MIGHT BE COMPRESSED OR ALTERED SOMEWHAT IF  
CIRCUMSTANCES DICTATE.

6. FOR BONN, LONDON AND PARIS: EMBASSY VIEWS ON TIMING  
AND ON LEVEL OF DISCUSSIONS WOULD BE APPRECIATED. IF  
EMBASSIES PERCEIVE NO OBJECTION TO PROPOSED VISIT AS  
OUTLINED ABOVE, PLEASE COMMUNICATE US INTEREST IN CON-  
SULTATIONS TO HOST GOVERNMENTS AND REPORT REACTION, IN-  
CLUDING ANY INFORMATION ON TIMING AND PARTICIPANTS. WE  
WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE EMBASSY VIEWS ON INFORMATION WHICH  
US TEAM SHOULD BE PREPARED TO PROVIDE AND EMBASSY SUMMARY  
OF KNOWN VIEWS AND SENSITIVITIES OF HOST GOVERNMENT.

7. FOR USNATO: WE WOULD WELCOME ANY COMMENTS OR  
SUGGESTIONS BY MISSION CONCERNING CONSULTATIONS.

8. FOR LONDON: YOU MAY INDICATE TO HMG THAT US EXPERTS  
WILL ALSO BE PREPARED TO OUTLINE COMMENTS US PLANS TO  
MAKE ON BRITISH DRAFT CONVENTION DURING FOLLOWING WEEK  
AT CCD.

9. FOR TOKYO: IN ADDITION TO CONSULTATIONS WITH BRITISH,  
FRENCH AND GERMANS IN CAPITALS, DURING INITIAL ALLIED  
CONSULTATIONS WE WISH TO CONSULT WITH JAPANESE AS WELL  
SINCE THEY HAVE ALREADY PRESENTED A DRAFT CW CONVENTION.

THIS COULD BE ACCOMPLISHED IN GENEVA DURING WEEK OF  
MARCH 28, WHEN US, AND PRESUMABLY JAPANESE, EXPERTS WILL  
BE ATTENDING INFORMAL MEETINGS ON CW AT THE CCD. CON-  
SULTATIONS WOULD BE FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSING ALTERNATIVES  
BEING CONSIDERED IN US POLICY STUDY AS WELL AS POSSIBLE  
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PLANS FOR FUTURE CW NEGOTIATIONS BOTH WITH SOVIETS AND  
IN CCD. (FYI. WE WOULD NOT PLAN AS FULL A BRIEFING ON  
US AND FOREIGN CW CAPABILITIES AS THAT GIVEN IN CAPITALS  
SINCE MILITARY ASPECTS ARE NOT AS IMPORTANT TO JAPANESE  
AS TO NATO ALLIES. END FYI) PLEASE APPROACH JAPANESE  
FOREIGN MINISTRY TO SEEK AGREEMENT TO SUCH CONSULTATIONS  
AND REPORT REACTION.

10. FOR GENEVA: PLEASE INFORM JAPANESE CCD REP OF  
APPROACH BEING MADE IN TOKYO. IF AT ALL POSSIBLE WE  
WOULD LIKE TO HAVE FIRST SESSION WITH JAPANESE ON MONDAY  
MORNING, MARCH 28 BEFORE MEETING OF WESTERN EXPERTS.  
ADDITIONAL SESSIONS COULD BE HELD LATER IN WEEK. YOU  
SHOULD ALSO INFORM UK, JAPANESE, AND FRG REPS OF  
APPROACHES BEING MADE IN LONDON, BONN AND PARIS. DEL

SHOULD KEEP IN MIND THAT USG WISHES TO BRING OTHER  
ALLIES INTO CONSULTATIVE PROCESS ONLY AT LATER STAGE.  
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